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Malaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Tenerife, Santa Cruz de la Palma, with 5 immigrants.

August 30, provisional flag steamship *Mortera*, from Havana, Nuevitas, Gibara, Baracoa, Santiago de Cuba, Puerto Plata, Mayaguez, P. R., with 4 immigrants.

Respectfully,

C. H. LAVINDER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Inspection of immigrants at subports during the week ended August 18, 1900.

SAN JUAN, P. R., *August 21, 1900.*

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passenger arriving at subports of Porto Rico during the week ended August 18, 1900:

Mayaguez.—August 17, German steamship *Constantia*, from St. Thomas, with 1 immigrant. (Other subports, no transactions.)

Respectfully,

C. H. LAVINDER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Report of immigrants inspected at the subports of Porto Rico during the month of August, 1900.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 1 (at Mayaguez); number passed, 1; number certified for deportation on account of dangerous contagious or loathsome diseases, or for other physical causes, none. (Other subports, no transactions.)

C. H. LAVINDER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

SCOTLAND.

Report of condition of plague in Glasgow.

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND, *September 4, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the plague situation in Glasgow at the present time; there were in hospital this morning 12 cases of plague and 4 under suspicion. One of these was removed there yesterday from the detention house, and the other 3 were a family from Thistle street, in the same quarter as the original case. These 4 cases may prove not to be genuine, however. As I reported in my cablegram of yesterday, there was a suspicious death at Govan, and there is now little doubt that this was genuine plague. It occurred in a young boy, and no connection can so far be traced between this case and the previous ones. Govan is a suburb of Glasgow, two or three miles from the center of town, but not within the city limits, and is much nearer the shipping district than the area previously considered infected. Outside of this case the situation looks very hopeful.

The authorities have defined a wide area about the houses where the original cases have occurred as infected, and special supervision is given to this area in a sanitary way. The infected premises have been very thoroughly cleaned, the apartments fumigated with sulphur, then the wall and floors washed with a carbolic solution, and the area ways, stairs, closets, etc., whitewashed, and all infected clothing and bedding either steamed or destroyed.

There have as yet been no vessels leaving this port for the United States since August 30. I have, however, had interviews with all the steamship companies running vessels in that trade, and have informed

them that a rigid inspection would be made of all vessels, with their passengers and cargos, leaving for the United States or Canada.

I have advised, and I think it will be followed, that no steerage passengers be booked from Glasgow, and the few continental steerage passing through here will either not remain in Glasgow at all, or be kept under strict guard. All cabin passengers are being advised to remain away from Glasgow, and to go direct to Greenock, where they will embark. I have given notice that all passengers will be examined before embarking. Inspection of steerage baggage must of necessity occur here, as the only means of disinfecting is here. It would be very difficult to disinfect large quantities of baggage here, as the steamship companies have no facilities for that work and all goods must be sent either to some laundry or to the fever hospital. The crew will probably be the most dangerous and difficult feature. They come aboard late and very drunk and it will be most difficult to find out their antecedents. However, I think every facility will be given by the officers of the various vessels. I have to report the arrival of Acting Assistant Surgeon Hough, and think with his assistance, I shall be able to inspect all boats.

Respectfully,

A. R. THOMAS,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Vessels from Glasgow bound for New York and Montreal.

[Telegrams.]

GLASGOW, September 14, 1900.

Sailed from Glasgow, eleventh, *Indrani*, Baltimore; twelfth, *Carthaginian*, Philadelphia.

THOMAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GLASGOW, September 15, 1900.

Sailed to-day from Glasgow, *Furnessia*, New York; *Kastalia* and *Ontarian*, Montreal.

THOMAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GLASGOW, September 20, 1900.

Sailed from Glasgow, nineteenth, *Salacia*, Baltimore; *Norwegian*, Boston; *Assyrian*, Halifax.

THOMAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND, September 7, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report concerning the situation in Glasgow, in continuation of my report of the 4th instant:

Until to-day, the outlook has been encouraging. One of the suspicious cases in Belvidere Hospital has been diagnosed plague, making a total of 13 to date. The suspicious case in Govan has not yet been decided, and to-day another suspicious case has appeared from Govan,